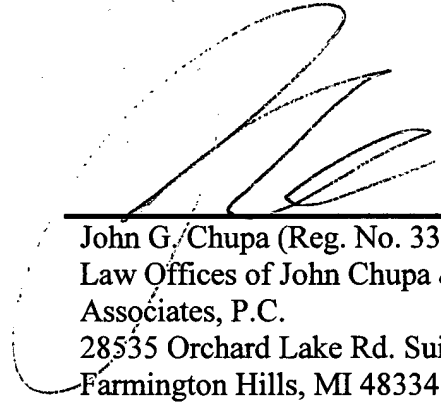


**Remarks/Arguments**

The undersigned thanks the Examiner for a kind and thorough examination. Pending Claims 1-8 and 14-15 have been canceled, and the Claims 9-13 and 16-21 which were objected to have been rewritten to include the limitations of their rejected base claims and intervening claims, as indicated by the Examiner. It was further indicated that the amended Claims 9-13 and 16-21 are allowable over the art of record and such allowance is respectfully requested. If there are any further questions regarding this matter, please call the Applicant's undersigned Attorney at (248)-324-7787.

Respectfully submitted,



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